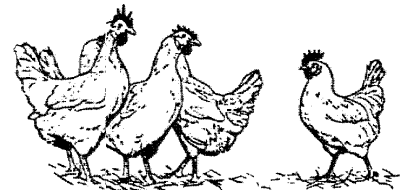


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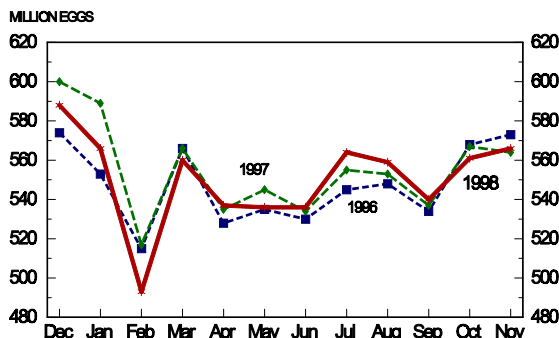
## CALIFORNIA EGG PRODUCTION

California's egg production during November totaled 566 million, 5.00 million more than last month and 1.00 million more than last November. Average number of layers during the month totaled 25.7 million, 1 percent below November 1997. Eggs per 100 layers during the month were 2,202 compared to 2,190 last month and 2,165 in November 1997.

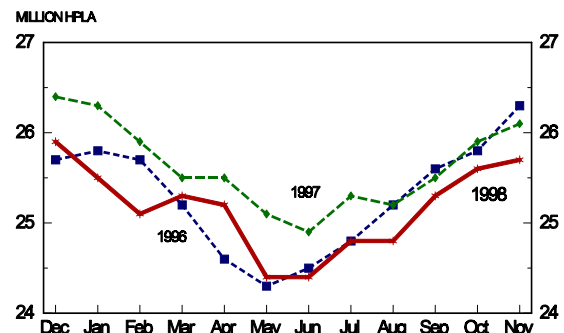
## U.S. NOVEMBER EGG PRODUCTION UP 2 PERCENT

U.S. egg production totaled 6.71 billion during November 1998, up 2 percent from the 6.57 billion produced in 1997. Production included 5.69 billion table eggs and 1.02 billion hatching eggs, of which 965 million were broiler-type and 58.0 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during November 1998 averaged 318 million, up 3 percent from the total average number of layers during November 1997. November egg production per 100 layers was 2,109 eggs, down 1 percent from 2,122 eggs in November 1997. All layers in the U.S. on December 1, 1998 totaled 320 million, up 3 percent from a year ago. The 320 million layers consisted of 263 million layers producing table or commercial type eggs, 54.8 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 2.51 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on December 1, 1998 averaged 70.7 eggs per 100 layers, down fractionally from the 71.0 a year ago. Laying flocks in the 30 major egg production states produced 6.34 billion eggs during November, up 2 percent from November 1997. The average number of layers during November, at 301 million, was up 3 percent from a year earlier.

EGG PRODUCTION, CALIFORNIA  
DECEMBER THROUGH NOVEMBER, 1995-1998



AVERAGE NUMBER OF LAYERS, CALIFORNIA  
DECEMBER THROUGH NOVEMBER, 1995-1998



## LAYER NUMBERS AND EGG PRODUCTION DURING NOVEMBER, FORCED MOLTING AS OF DECEMBER 1

State	Average Number of Layers on Hand		Eggs Per 100 Layers		Total Egg Production		Layers Being Molted		Layers With Molt Completed	
	1997	1998	1997	1998	1997	1998	1997	1998	1997	1998
	-- Thousands --		-- Number --		-- Millions --		---- Percent ----			
Alabama	10,428	10,786	1,937	1,947	202	210	0.0	1.5	20.5	16.0
Arkansas	14,399	14,574	1,820	1,859	262	271	2.5	0.0	16.5	9.0
California	26,091	25,702	2,165	2,202	565	566	3.5	3.0	40.0	40.5
Georgia	20,573	21,649	2,076	2,042	427	442	5.5	1.5	16.5	19.0
Indiana	21,919	22,083	2,194	2,124	481	469	2.0	2.0	26.0	32.0
Iowa	21,448	24,660	2,205	2,076	473	512	3.5	4.0	35.0	32.0
North Carolina	11,575	11,341	1,832	1,913	212	217	0.0	0.0	16.0	10.5
Ohio	26,639	28,476	2,215	2,198	590	626	1.5	0.5	14.0	17.0
Pennsylvania	22,573	22,721	2,255	2,205	509	501	3.0	4.0	19.5	21.0
Texas	17,146	17,580	2,076	2,059	356	362	1.5	2.0	20.5	28.5
United States	309,670	318,154	2,122	2,109	6,572	6,709	2.8	2.3	24.0	24.1

### U.S. BROILER HATCH UP 4 PERCENT

The November 1998 hatch of broiler-type chicks, at 674 million, was up 4 percent from November of the previous year. Eggs in incubators totaled 618 million on December 1, 1998, up 4 percent from a year earlier.

Leading breeders placed 7.31 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during November 1998. This was up 15 percent from November 1997.

### U.S. EGG-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED UP 11 PERCENT

Egg-type chicks hatched during November totaled 30.8 million, up 11 percent from November 1997. Eggs in incubators totaled 31.7 million on December 1, 1998, down 3 percent from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 232 thousand during November 1998. This was up 80 percent from November 1997.

#### BROILER-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED, NOVEMBER

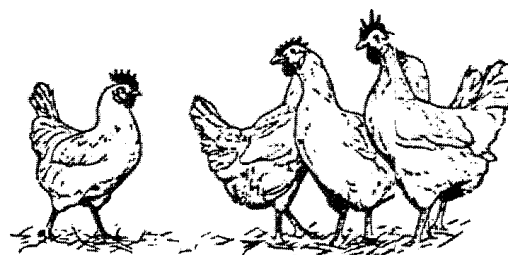
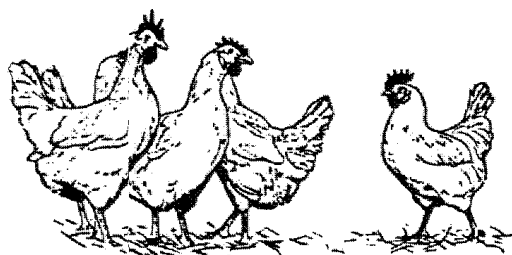
State	1997	1998	<u>1998</u> <u>1997</u>
	- Thousands -		Percent
Alabama	83,830	88,216	105
Arkansas	98,707	99,044	100
Delaware	14,591	14,455	99
Florida	9,440	9,148	97
Georgia	95,685	104,273	109
Maryland	27,837	28,674	103
Mississippi	57,879	59,201	102
North Carolina	56,038	57,688	103
Pennsylvania	11,697	11,435	98
South Carolina	14,620	15,133	104
Texas	41,141	42,717	104
Virginia	21,706	21,520	99
California, Tennessee & West Virginia	35,264	37,130	105
Other States <sup>1/</sup>	79,653	85,273	107
UNITED STATES	648,088	673,907	104

<sup>1/</sup> Not published separately to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

#### EGG-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED, NOVEMBER

State	1997	1998	<u>1998</u> <u>1997</u>
	- Thousands -		Percent
Arkansas	645	567	88
Florida	835	842	101
Georgia	1,400	1,635	117
Indiana	5,529	6,301	114
Iowa	3,587	4,529	126
Kansas	292	255	87
Minnesota	1,483	1,681	113
Missouri	360	296	82
Pennsylvania	4,128	4,621	112
Other States <sup>1/</sup>	9,587	10,083	105
UNITED STATES	27,846	30,810	111

<sup>1/</sup> Not published separately to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.



#### EGGS IN INCUBATORS, DECEMBER 1

Geographic Division	Broiler-Type			Egg-Type		
	1997	1998	1998/1997	1997	1998	1998/1997
	-- Thousands --		Percent	-- Thousands --		Percent
North Atlantic	11,093	11,800	12,111	103	5,151	6,714
East North Central	6,879	7,352	8,137	111	9,338	8,667
West North Central	19,497	21,955	22,475	102	6,286	5,749
South Atlantic	208,556	225,835	235,298	104	4,475	3,970
South Central	282,266	303,436	315,689	104	3,551	3,111
West	20,891	22,970	24,210	105	3,966	3,474
UNITED STATES	549,182	593,348	617,920	104	32,767	31,685

1999 RELEASE DATES					
NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE AND CALIFORNIA AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE					
12:00 NOON RELEASE (* 5:30 AM PST RELEASE)					
JANUARY	11	Cotton Ginnings *	FEBRUARY	5	Dairy Products
		Crop Production *		10	Cotton Ginnings *
	12	Crop Production - Annual *			Crop Production *
		Grain Stocks *		12	Potato Stocks
		Rice Stocks *			Crop Values
		Winter Wheat & Rye Seedlings *		19	Cattle On Feed
	14	Potato Stocks			Cold Storage - Annual
		Vegetables			Cold Storage
	15	Milk Production			Farm Labor
		Turkeys		23	Chickens & Eggs
		Vegetables - Annual		26	Honey
	21	Non-citrus Fruits & Nuts Preliminary			Agricultural Prices
	22	Cold Storage			
		Cattle On Feed			
	25	Cotton Ginnings *			
	28	Layers & Egg Production - Annual			
	29	Cattle			
		Sheep & Goats			
	Chickens & Eggs				
	Agricultural Prices				
MARCH	5	Livestock Slaughter - Annual	APRIL	8	Vegetables
	11	Crop Production *		9	Crop Production *
	12	Potato Stocks		14	Potato Stocks
	19	Cattle On Feed		16	Cattle On Feed
		Cold Storage		19	Hatchery Production - Annual
	22	Chickens & Eggs		20	Cold Storage
	25	Cotton Ginnings *		22	Dairy Products - Annual
	26	Hogs & Pigs		23	Chickens & Eggs
	30	Agricultural Prices		27	Floriculture Crops
	31	Grain Stocks *		30	Agricultural Prices
		Rice Stocks *			
		Prospective Plantings *			
MAY	12	Cotton Ginnings - Annual *	JUNE	11	Crop Production *
		Crop Production *		18	Cattle On Feed
	19	Ag. Chemical Usage - Field Crops			Cold Storage
	21	Cattle On Feed		22	Chickens & Eggs
		Meat Animals Prod./Disp./Income		24	Cherry Production (Tent.)
		Milk Prod./Disp./Income		25	Hogs & Pigs
		Cold Storage		29	Agricultural Prices
		Farm Labor		30	Grain Stocks *
24	Chickens & Eggs		Acreage *		
28	Agricultural Prices				
JULY	7	Non-citrus Fruits & Nuts - Annual	AUGUST	12	Cotton Ginnings *
	9	Vegetables			Crop Production *
	12	Crop Production *		18	Mushrooms
	16	Cattle		20	Cattle On Feed
		Cattle On Feed			Cold Storage
		Sheep			Farm Labor
	20	Cold Storage		24	Chickens & Eggs
		Farm Production Expenditures		27	Rice Stocks *
	21	Ag. Chemical Usage - Vegetables		31	Agricultural Prices
	23	Chickens & Eggs			
		Ag. Prices - Annual			
30	Agricultural Prices				
SEPTEMBER	9	Vegetables	OCTOBER	5	Ag. Chemical Usage - Restricted Use
	10	Crop Production *			Summary
		Cotton Ginnings *		7	Vegetables
	17	Cattle On Feed		8	Cotton Ginnings *
	20	Cold Storage			Crop Production *
	21	Chickens & Eggs		15	Cattle On Feed
	23	Citrus Fruits		20	Cold Storage
	24	Cotton Ginnings *		22	Chickens & Eggs
		Hogs & Pigs			Cotton Ginnings *
	29	Agricultural Prices		29	Rice Stocks *
	30	Small Grain Summary *			Agricultural Prices
	Grain Stocks *				
NOVEMBER	10	Cotton Ginnings *	DECEMBER	10	Cotton Ginnings *
		Crop Production *			Crop Production *
	19	Cattle On Feed		17	Cattle On Feed
		Farm Labor		20	Cold Storage
		Cold Storage		21	Chickens & Eggs
	23	Chickens & Eggs		23	Cotton Ginnings *
	24	Cotton Ginnings *		28	Hogs & Pigs
30	Agricultural Prices	30	Agricultural Prices		

**PACIFIC COAST AND UNITED STATES COLD STORAGE**

Commodity	Unit	November 1997	October 1998 <u>a/</u>	November 1998	<u>Nov. 1998</u> Nov. 1997	<u>Nov. 1998</u> Oct. 1998	
PACIFIC COAST		- - - - Thousands - - - -			- - Percent - -		
	Turkeys	Lbs.	65,273	125,026	44,715	69	36
	Chickens	Lbs.	39,332	23,936	28,919	74	121
	Ducks	Lbs.	153	96	97	63	101
	Total Frozen Poultry Supplies	Lbs.	104,758	149,058	73,731	70	49
	Eggs, Frozen	Lbs.	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
UNITED STATES							
	Turkeys	Lbs.	438,556	661,156	297,751	68	45
	Chickens	Lbs.	609,900	601,882	644,132	106	107
	Ducks	Lbs.	1,964	5,092	4,554	232	89
	Total Frozen Poultry Supplies	Lbs.	1,050,420	1,268,130	946,437	90	75
	Eggs, Frozen	Lbs.	10,264	9,031	9,295	91	103

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